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**Introduced by Senator Alarcon**

February 21, 2003

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An act to add Section 15563 to the Government Code, relating to economic development.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 974, as introduced, Alarcon. Secretary of Labor and Workforce Development: Self-Sufficiency Index.

Existing law establishes the Labor and Workforce Development Agency under the supervision of the Secretary of Labor and Workforce Development, and sets forth the duties of the secretary generally in this regard.

This bill would require the secretary to develop and annually produce a Self-Sufficiency Index, measuring the income needed for a family of a given size in various population areas of the state, to adequately meet its basic needs without public or private assistance. It would require the secretary to publish the index and report to the respective policy committees of the Legislature by January 1, 2005, and annually thereafter, on the elements of the index.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 15563 is added to the Government
- 2 Code, to read:
- 3 15563. (a) The secretary shall develop and annually produce
- 4 a Self-Sufficiency Index, measuring the income needed for a
- 5 family of a given size in various population areas of the state, to

1 adequately meet its basic needs without public or private  
2 assistance.

3 (b) The secretary shall publish the index and report to the  
4 respective policy committees of the Legislature by January 1,  
5 2005, and annually thereafter, on the elements of the index.

6 (c) The secretary shall implement this section using existing  
7 funds, grants, or federal funds.

